Hayward Public Library

Videotape and Digital Videodisc (DVD) Policy

In order to provide access to information contained in a diverse collection of resources offered in a variety of formats, the Hayward Public Library offers a general interest collection of videotapes and a feature film collection of DVDs for circulation to the public.

The videotape collection contains quality videotapes in English, Farsi, Hindi, Spanish and Vietnamese with subject matter including, but not limited to, education, travel, entertainment, foreign films, and children's. The DVD collection contains feature films. Criteria for the selection of videotapes and DVDs will follow the general criteria outlined in the Hayward Public Library Materials Selection Policy.

The videotape collection of the Library is fairly extensive and is offered on ½" VHS videocassettes. The DVD collection, due to limited budget funds, is smaller and limited to feature films. The Library does not offer video equipment for loan. In keeping with the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights and Freedom To View statements, the Library provides free and equal access to the entire range of library resources and formats, including videotapes and DVDs. These rights extend to all users of the library including minors.

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